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-- PLAY OF REINFORCEMENT

REF: A) USNATO 6161 DTG 131303Z NOV 75
-- B) STATE 262887 DTG 060101Z NOV 75
-- C) USNATO 6134 DTG 111845Z NOV 75

- 1. AGREEMENT CAN BE REACHED ON HOW TO PLAY REINFORCEMENT IN HILEX BUT WE STILL NEED TO REMIND ALLIES OF THEIR COMMITMENT TO PLAY AT A HIGH LEVEL AND WITH AN EMPHASIS ON RESSURCES PROBLEMS.
- 2. WE CONCUR WITH YOUR PROPOSED CHANGE TO THE LAST PARAGRAPH, PAGE 32, AC/287(H-7)-WP/1 AS GIVEN IN REF A, PARAGRAPH 3, WITH CHANGES MADE IN THE THIRD SENTENCE TO READ AS FOLLOWS: QUOTE. FOR THIS ACCELERATED DEPLOYMENT TO SECRET

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TAKE PLACE, HOST NATION ASSISTANCE WILL BE REQUIRED AND

RECEPTION PLANNING WILL NEED TO BE DONE IN ADVANCE. END QUOTE. IN ADDITION, ADD THE WORD "SIMULTANEOUSLY" IN THE SECOND SENTENCE BETWEEN THE WORDS "WILL" AND "SOLICIT."

3. IN CLARIFICATION OF REF B, PARAGRAPH 6, THE INTENT IS TO DISCUSS THE MOVEMENT OF THE DIVISIONS TO EUROPE AS

ADDRESSED IN REF C AND CHANGES PROPOSED IN PARAGRAPH 1 ABOVE.

- 3. EVEN THOUGH WE HAVE CONCURRED WITH THE CHANGE PROPOSED IN REF A, WE BELIEVE THAT THE MEMBER NATIONS SHOULD BE REMINDED OF THEIR EXPRESSED INTENTIONS TO PLAY HILEX-7 AT A HIGH LEVEL AND TO DO OUR BEST TO SECURE MEANINGFUL RESOURCE PLAY BY CIVIL EMERGENCY PLANNING STAFFS. WE FEEL THAT THE INPUT OF SCRIPTED ITEMS WILL REQUIRE THE CIVIL EMERGENCY PLANNING AUTHORITIES OF THE MEMBER NATIONS TO EXAMINE CAPABILITIES AND LIMITATIONS OF EXISTING CIVIL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PROCEDURES TO SUPPORT THE ALLIANCE. WE HOPE THEREBY TO TAKE AT LEAST ONE STEP IN COMPLYING WITH THE MINISTERIAL GUIDANCE DIRECTING NATO TO BRING CIVIL PLANNING IN BETTER BALANCE WITH MILITARY PLANNING. THEREFORE, THE PROPOSED NATO-WIDE MESSAGE (REF B) SHOULD STILL BE RELEASED TO FOREIGN AND DEFENSE MINISTRIES, AS WELL AS TO CEP OFFICIALS.
- 4. SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS ON THIS SUBJECT WILL BE PROVIDED TO THE US DELEGATE TO THE DECEMBER HIGH LEVEL EXERCISE PLANNING GROUP (HLEPG).

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